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Mayor James Matayoshi Rongelap Atoll Local Government Council Republic of the Marshall Islands P.O. Box 1766 Majuro, Marshall Islands 96960

Dear Mayor Matayoshi:

We are pleased to advise you that the Rongelap Worker Internal Dose website is now available for workers. The information is presented as bar charts and detailed tables. You may access this data on the Marshall Islands homepage at the following web address: <a href="http://tis.eh.doe.gov/ihp/marsh/marshall.htm">http://tis.eh.doe.gov/ihp/marsh/marshall.htm</a> by clicking on the button labeled "Dose Data" in the upper right comer.

Within the website, a button near the bottom entitled "Dose Data" opens access to de-identified data on all test results for both whole body counting **and plutonium** urinalysis.

The data will be updated on a periodic basis. Each Rongelap worker will also soon be receiving a copy of their individual results attached to a letter translated into Marshallese. Please feel free to have individuals use the "Comments" button at the bottom of the website to provide any feedback/questions you might have.

This fulfills the commitment we made to you and the Rongelap Atoll Community at a previous Department of Energy/Republic of the Marshall Islands Government/Local Atoll Government meeting. We appreciate the partnership with Rongelap and the dedicated involvement of the Rongelap whole body counting technicians that has made it possible to reach this milestone.

Sincerely,

Frank Hawkins

Chief Operating Officer
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